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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Re: Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

In re Application of: Close, et al.

Serial No.: 10/748,454

Filed: 12/30/2003

For: Nonwoven Webs Having Reduced Lint and Slough

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Group Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: N. Velazquez

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2. **BRIEF** on appeal in this application pursuant to 37 CFR 41.37 is transmitted herewith (1 copy)
3. An **ORAL HEARING** is respectfully requested under 37 CFR 41.47 (due within two months after Examiner's Answer).
4. Reply Brief under 37 CFR 41.41(b) is transmitted herewith (1 copy).
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